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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

WAR WEALTH TAX.

SELECT COMMITTEE REPORTS.

London, April 15.

The report of the select committee on tax of war wealth increases says that after close examination of much conflicting testimony the committee has concluded that the difficulties of administration of such a tax are not insurmountable and that the amended scheme of the Board of Inland Revenue is administratively practicable, because the examination of taxpayers returns, valuation of property and assessment and collection of duty could be effectively carried out while the cost of administration and collection would be small. If the financial conditions of the country are such that it is urgently necessary to raise a sum of five hundred millions, the objections against such a tax should not be allowed to stand in the way of its imposition. Moreover, although the suggested tax is strongly opposed by the financial and commercial world, there is a very large body of public opinion which regards it as just and necessary. However, the financial conditions governing the problem have been largely modified since the committee was appointed, by the budget proposals and the offer of the new five and fifteen years' treasury bonds. Therefore the committee opines that the desirability and expediency of the tax must be left to a decision of the Commons.

BRITISH HOTEL BILL IN
PARIS £503,388.

AN "AT HOME" SURPRISE.

FRENCH MINISTER LECTURES LADIES.

IN CARE OF ITS PEACE DELEGATION.

London, March 26.—Charges that the Government indulged in reckless extravagance at the Peace Conference in Paris have been made in connection with its bill of £503,388 for expenses of the British delegation.

When the bill was presented in the House of Commons recently, Sir Alfred Mond, First Commissioner of Works, was sharply questioned as to whether his bill for hotels in Paris covered the cost of champagne, food and dances. He replied that his department was not responsible for the payment of bills for food, clothing or typewriters, dances or bands.

One member of the House indignantly declared it would have been better for the British delegates to go to bed to think over the Peace Conference than to indulge in such relaxations; but if they had to have recreation they ought to pay for it out of their own pockets.

Captain Wilson accused the Government of having maintained "huge staffs in Paris hotels." The Government representative admitted that the British had five hotels and three other temporary abodes, while the Americans had only one hotel. The House indulged in ironic cheers when Sir Alfred Mond said the Government "did the thing well."

The total staff of the British delegation was 524.

O DAY OF REST AND GLADNESS.

(REVISED VERSION.)

O day of rest and gladness,
O sailor's delight;
To stay in port in sadness
Would surely not be right.
So Saturday doth see him
Each mooring line set free,
And leaving to spend his Sunday
Upon the glorious sea.

From Saturday to Monday,
The office staff must stay,
At home and spend each Sunday
In some unfruitful way;
But wepon God's ocean,
No man care shall know,
Our work is our devotion
A'er the sea we go.

Our Pubs are closed on Sunday
Because they cannot trust
The weak and wayward shore-man
From going on the "Bust."
But we, whose hearts are cleansed
From sordid thoughts of beer,
With joy that never endeth
Shall serve the Lord out here.

So ye who walk the foreshore
On Sunday after Kirk,
Be sure, we'd be there with you
If sailing we could shirk;
But duty ever calls us,
And heaven we must bide,
Mark the seventh commandment,
We dare not lose the tide.

Please God, the gentle sailor,
Will never know the pain,
The shipping clerks must suffer
When their attempts are vain;
To clear the ships each week-end
And get them off to sea.
For ships tied up on Sunday,
Would spell Eternity!!!

"CARBOARD STRAKE."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

MISHAP TO AMERICAN STEAMER.

WASHINGTON, May 12th.
The Northern Pacific, with General Parsons aboard, has grounded at the mouth of the (1) Harbour. Up to the present, there is no danger.

MOEWE "SURRENDERS."

LONDON, May 13th.
The notorious German raider Moewe arrived at Leith and was surrendered to British authorities.

ZIONIST MISSIONARY.

LONDON, May 13th.
The Zionist organisation has instructed Israel Cohen with a mission to the Jewish communities overseas to explain the significance of the Peace Conference's decision concerning Palestine, and to extend and strengthen the ramifications of the Zionist projects in Palestine.

Mr. Cohen will proceed to Palestine on May 18th after which he will leave from Port Said for Freemantle. The territories in the tour include Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan, the Straits, Java and India.

PUNISHMENT OF WAR CRIMINALS.

BERLIN, May 13th.
The Allies have presented Germany a Note containing the first revised list of war criminals. The list is stated to contain 45 names, including four U-boat commanders accused of torpedoing hospital ships, officers accused of shooting and ill-treating prisoners, General Kruse, and the Governor of Cassel, who are accused of spreading typhus germs. The list includes Marshal von Below, General von Below, Prince Ernest of Saxony, but does not include Marshal Hindenburg, General von Ludendorff, or the ex-Crown Prince.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

LONDON, May 13th.
The Prince of New Zealand has cabled to London that the Prince of Wales has concluded a tour of the North Island. The tour has been an unqualified success. His Highness left a splendid impression everywhere.

CAIRNS, CURRUM, May 14th.
The Prince of Wales has arrived and was splendidly received by the populace thronging the streets.

SUGAR SHORTAGE.

LONDON, May 14th.
The shortage of sugar is seriously concerning the Government. It is stated that the prices must be increased from 10d. to 1s. 3d. in order to avoid a subsidy.

LONDON, May 14th.
The Food Minister, Mr. McCurdy, in a statement as regards the glut of meat imported from Australasia, explained that this was due to the rapid diminution of the requirements of Allied forces on the termination of the war. The British people were, temporarily, eating half a million tons less fresh meat annually than normally; they were only eating 3 lbs. now as compared with the period before the war. The only apparent explanation was that war-time habits had not yet been forgotten. The Government had decided to reduce the wholesale price of mutton from the all-round figure of 9d. to prices ranging from 8d. to 9d. retail. The control prices will be removed. It is opined that a drastic reduction would tend to steady, or even lower, the prices of other commodities. It is declared that only one half of 1 per cent of all meat handled has been condemned.

RACING AT HOME.

LONDON, May 15th.
The result of the Newmarket Stakes is as follows:

Allenby 1
Paragon 2
Polumet 3

Six ran. Won by three quarters of a length. 14 lengths separating second and third.

The betting was as follows:—Allenby, 9 to 4; Paragon, 7 to 1; Polumet, 7 to 2.

AVIATION.

LONDON, May 15th.
The first competing machine—Major MacLaren in a Handley Page, accompanied by Captain Barton, navigator—for the Daily Express prize of £10,000, for the air cargo race from Britain to India, starts on May 15th.

Commander Kenworthy, competing on behalf of the Yorkshire Evening News, starts on May 16th in a Blackburn Kangaroo fighting bomber, accompanied by Captain Wilkins, navigator.

Competitors must carry a cargo of 1,200 to India and back.

Major MacLaren's route will be to Turin, Athens, Cairo, Bagdad and Karachi, which will be the turning point.

ROME-TOKYO FLIGHT.

CALCUTTA, May 14th.
The aviator taking part in the Home flight, Benza, crashed from a height of forty feet while leaving for Rangoon. The machine was smashed but the aviator was only slightly injured.

INDIAN STEAMER FOUNDERS.

CALCUTTA, May 14th.
The coastal steamer Sukechi, with 200 Indian passengers, foundered in bad weather going down the Hooghly. It is feared many have been drowned.

ARMY UNIFORMS.

LONDON, May 14th.
The Army is now reverting to the pre-war uniforms, red and blue, green and tartan.

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A STORY FROM BURDWAN.

SKIPPER BACKS A WINNER
AT SEA.

Calcutta, April 19th.—A correspondent writes to the "Englishman" from Burdwani:—Much sensation has been created in Burdwani by the mysterious appearance of apparitions in a photo taken from the dead body of Lal Kundan Lal Kapur, a Kshatriya zamindar of this place who died at 5 p.m. on the 11th of the month Deceased, being a Sujabangshi Kshatriya, the body was not cremated till the appearance of the sun on the following morning.

A dinner, with the Lord Chancellor as the guest of honour, and lesser stars in the legal firmament in attendance—to the charming form of four triumphant Portias of the Inns of Court—was given by the committee to obtain the Opening of the Legal Profession to Women, in order to commemorate the passing of the Sex Disqualification Bill.

It was an historic banquet. The dinner-table, in one of the underground private dining-rooms of the House, glowed with scarlet tulips, and red-shaded candles shed a soft radiance over a brilliant company of great lawyers and distinguished women. Major J. W. Hills, M.P., chairman of the committee, had Mrs. Henry Fawcett, the veteran leader of the women's movement, on his left.

Lady Rhondda, smiling and youthful looking, in a soft black evening gown with a string of pearls carried on an animated conversation with the Lord Chancellor on her left and the Lord Chief Justice on her right, Sir Gordon Hewart, Attorney General, Sir Ernest Pollock, Solicitor-General, Mr. W. A. Sharp, president of the Law Society, Mr. T. Liddle, president of the Society of Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland, Viscount Haldane, Sir Henry Duke, President of the Divorce Division, Mr. Cecil Chapman, Lady Emmott, Lady Selborne, and Mrs. Oliver Strachan were also present.

THE FOUR PLAINTIFFS.

"Who are the four plaintiffs?" was the question asked by the lawyers present, in reference to the Portias of the Feast—who happened to be the Plaintiffs in the famous action against the Law Society. These four students—Miss Nettleford, Miss Ingram, Mrs. Thomson (who was Miss Webb, the chief plaintiff), and Mrs. Stephen (formerly Miss Costelloe)—proved to be young and attractive girls, who had unanimously chosen simple black evening gowns for the great night.

Champagne and conversation flowed, and there was merry laughter across the long length of the dining-table at this most sociable of ceremonial banquets. The toast of the Lord Chancellor, proposed by Major Hills, was drunk with fervour by the law students and their friends.

The most youthful looking Chancellor who has ever graced the Wool-sack rose to reply, now grave, now gay. "So far as women and the law went, he claimed to have been a champion of the sex."

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ADVERSARIA.

When friend Gee got married on Saturday, his "best man" was "G.G." and the padre who yoked the parties in matrimonial harness may be said to have made a fine team. Here, in gymkhana slang, is a stable sure to score successes. We wish them all possible.

Something like half a mile flew from EXPERIENCES, the art of Shakin' chau towards the Soko last night. In the dark, white horses racing by, wind shrieking in the rigging, and the vessel pirching forward at her best gait, it was no joke suddenly to be reminded that Chinese junks will sail without lights. "The law does not allow it," said one of us, and "There are no policemen here" said the other. So we sent a boy forward as lookout. By and by, another junk crossed our bows, and the lad had not bailed the helmsmen. We went forward. No hoy. The seas were washing the foose head. Had they washed him off, to disappear, without a cry, in that racing swirl, to the miles of darkness behind? What to do? Gyle, wear ship, put back, looking for a needle in a haystack? In the midst of such agonizing, we thought of lifting the hatch and peering below. He was curled up there, asleep, dry, and warm.

The International A WORTHY Moral Education SCHEME. Congress has been formed to enlist the active co-operation of all, irrespective of race, nation, or creed, in promoting the work of moral education. This is something that any decent man can support without reserve. Sir Frederick Pollock is Chairman. The third congress will be held in Paris next year (about September 1921) and the Council invites the expression of views, by letter or otherwise. They assume that all concerned in education wish to secure the sympathy and support of youth for the moral purpose of the League of Nations. This is an assumption because there are present many volunteer teachers who themselves dedicated teach that the L.N. is impractical, etc. Here are the

suggestions of the Council, on which they ask the opinions and suggestions of all men of goodwill.

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(2) Methods of Presentation.

We might, in the first place, issue (after consultation) a draft programme of such instruction, leaving teachers, parents, and writers in each nationality to develop the themes in accordance with local habits, requirements, and ideals.

And we might begin to sketch the contents of a book for the universal instruction of the youth of the world, to be translated into many languages, its object being to cultivate a spirit of mutual understanding and fraternity.

If you think of a helpful idea, write to the Secretary, International Moral Education Congress, c/o Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart., 13 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, London, W.C.2.

It is the same still at P. bloodthirsty old men, above military age, who sit in newspaper offices during the war playing the super-patriot, who are now insisting on the "complete execution" of the Treaty of Versailles. Apparently, they realize that this is their last chance. The world has moved since 1914. Moreover, as the "complete execution" of the Treaty would mean not only that nobody would ever get anything in the way of reparation out of Germany but that Europe would go under in a wave of Bolshevism, quite a number of persons, thinks the *Straits Echo*, with something at stake and some little attachment to our present civilisation will continue to work for revision.

If the story is UNWRITTEN, certainly published LAW.

there were one or two points of exceptional interest. A Major Cloete had seduced Mrs. Jackman, the missionary's wife. The injured husband shot him dead. The Chief Commissioner of Assam, who joined the Indian Civil Service about 34 years ago, is 53 years old, has been married nine years, and has two daughters. He declared, when trying the appeal, that Jackman

should have taken two revolvers, have handed one to the adulterer, and challenged him to fight, saying "One of us must die." Then, said this modern Solomon, after "a fair fight," if the missionary had killed the major, he the Commissioner would have reduced the sentence from two years to two days. It is acutely disappointing that he omitted to say what his sentence would have been if (as was quite likely) the adulterer had killed the injured husband. We expect to hear that this Commissioner is to be deprived of further opportunities for teaching such kinma law.

The Committee of the DIVORCE Shanghai Bar Association has petitioned the Acting Judge of the British Supreme Court in China to memorialize the Foreign Office that the necessary jurisdiction in suits for divorce be conferred on the Shanghai Court. This revives our argument that the Hongkong Supreme Court should have similar jurisdiction. Singapore on one side has it, and Shanghai on the other is sure to get it. We have it not, though we need it more. There is now a fresh reason why Shanghai should have it, in a recent decision by the House of Lords, which now declares that a British subject in an extraterritorial country can acquire domicile, if his intention to make his home there permanently is shown. The case arose in Egypt. *Casdagli v. Casdagli*, I.P.S., T. Reports 104 and 105 p. 89 according to the Chamber of Commerce Journal. Where the country has no divorce jurisdiction, and the applicant has acquired domicile, he is barred from divorce altogether. Although the case applies to British residents in China, its only bearing on Hongkong is that it calls attention to the hardships of local cases, which we have dealt with before.

A gentleman in Paris PORTER assures us that Poulet, COMING? the famous aviator is coming to Hongkong: but we think he is mistaken. Poulet is flying from France to Australia, at his own expense, to help the family of Vedrines, who was killed by accident, and they want to erect a statue to Vedrines. We feel less interested in "this grand and beautiful œuvre" than in the goodness of Poulet, whom we would gladly welcome in Hongkong. We are hardly on his route, however. We note that Vedrines has "done the most for the vulgarisation and triumph of the mondial aviation." The drug was confiscated.

Captain W. Warton, Superintendent of the Robert Dollar S.S. Company, who was placed under arrest last night for disorderly conduct at the Central Police Station, and allowed out on Police bail of \$10, failed to appear in Court when the case was called before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning. Her bail was estreated.

Four Chinese, three women and a man, were this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with attempting to export \$15, \$11, \$20 and \$34.40 worth of Hongkong subsidiary coins, respectively. As usual, they all pleaded ignorance of local regulations. The money was in each case confiscated.

The results were as follows:-

FIVE FURLONGS RACE.

Mr. Stabb's Salamander, 155 lbs. (Mr. Doyle)

1 Sir Paul's Blackbird Dahlia, 159 lbs.....(Mr. Seth)

2 Mr. de Souza's Pawnshop, 150 lbs. (Mr. Souza)

3 Mr. Soares' Pussyfoot, 147 lbs. (Mr. Soares)

Mr. Nemazee's Sepand, 160 lbs. (Mr. Nemazee)

Mr. Bell Irving's Ringwood 153 lbs. (Owner)

Messrs. Thomas and Ross' Geordie Mac, 152 lbs.....(Mr. Doyle)

Mr. Dairem's Sinza, 135 lbs. (Mr. Remedios)

Another poor start. Pawnshop had a great advantage, and went to the front with Pussyfoot in close attendance. Sepand was third some distance behind. Soon after the Green Gate was passed Pussyfoot assumed the lead. Going up the incline, the following was the order:

Pussyfoot, Pawnshop, Sepand, Sinza, Ringwood and Blackbird Dahlia. At

the bottom bend, the field bunched up, with the Dahlia forging ahead.

Pussyfoot and Pawnshop ran together in the home stretch, and it seemed that the race was all between them. Seth, however, was a dangerous competitor, and by

means of good horsemanship, pushed his mount forward in the last two hundred yards and overhauled Pussyfoot who was unable to accept the challenge and was beaten.

Another surprise was in store for the spectators before the close of the race, for just as everyone began to

hail Pawnshop as the winner, Blackbird Dahlia spurted at the last moment, and won the race by a short head. Geordie Mac, who was

out of the picture for the best part of the race, also ran well at the close, and finished third, a length behind Pawnshop.

Time: 1min. 58 1/5ecs.

Parimutuel Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$12.00 Ticket No.

1 9.60 456 \$1,869.00

2 10.40 164 534.00

3 10.50 104 267.00

Unplaced ponies (\$10 each): Nos.

465, 76 and 486.

CLASS B. HANDICAP.—One Round.

Sir Paul's Blackbird Dahlia, 159 lbs.....(Mr. Seth)

1 Mr. de Souza's Pawnshop, 150 lbs. (Mr. Souza)

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Time: 1min. 58 1/5ecs.

Parimutuel Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$10.50 Ticket No.

1 5.40 132 \$1,513.40

2 5.30 21 432.40

3 36 346 216.20

Unplaced ponies (\$10 each): Nos.

266, 89 and 57.

GYMKHANA STAKES.

Mr. Soares' Spotted Sand, 154 lbs. (Scars)

1 Mr. Johnstone's After Dark, 156 lbs.....(Mr. Irving)

2 Mr. Johnstone's Talisman, 156 lbs. (Owner)

3 Mr. Seth's Cannon, 156 lbs. (Mr. Brun)

Mr. Soares' Siamese Cat, 151 lbs. (Mr. Doyle)

3 Mr. Bell Irving's What Is It, 151 lbs. (Owner)

Mr. Nemazee's Tejand, 156 lbs. (Owner)

Capt. Beaver's Winterlight, 159 lbs.....(Owner)

Lt. Sergeant's Surprise, 155 lbs. (Owner)

Lt. Doddington's Murphy, 170 lbs. (Owner)

Lt. Samut's Tonic, 170 lbs. (Owner)

This short race was very interesting. Johnstone showed great control over his mount and won by three lengths. After Dark was second, with Talisman two lengths behind for third place.

Parimutuel Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$6.90 Ticket No.

1 5.60 134 \$1,998.50

2 11.90 412 571.00

3 6.80 163 285.50

Unplaced ponies (\$10 each): Nos.

279, 582, 50, 360, 248, 424 and 509.

HALF MILE RACE.

Mr. Johnstone's Burning Daylight. (Owner)

Mr. Towers' Pantile, 152 lbs. (Mr. Doyle)

2 Mr. Des Voeux's Scotia Dahlia, 155 lbs. (Mr. Brun)

3 Mr. Lee's Sandmartin, 158 lbs. (Mr. Timmins)

Mr. de Souza's Pawnshop, 155 lbs. (Mr. Souza)

Mr. Blank's King Alfred, 152 lbs. (Mr. Harriman)

Mr. Dowbiggin's Moonshine, 152 lbs. (Mr. Seth)

Mr. Bell Irving's Wee Mouse, 152 lbs. (Owner)

A fair start. Scotia Dahlia and Pantile got off best, and led all the way into the straight. The finish was very exciting, when Johnstone brought Burning Daylight out of the bunch of followers in great style. Doyle made a strenuous effort to keep Pantile in front when challenged by Johnstone, but his mount was unable to answer the call for a last effort. Doyle lost the race by a neck. Scotia Dahlia, considering his fine showing earlier in the race, was a poor third.

Time: 2mins. 7 1/5secs.

Parimutuel Cash Sweep.

Winner: \$24.30 Ticket No.

1 5.80 548 \$1,883.00

2 5.30 33 538.00

3 5.80 269.00

Unplaced pony (\$10): 313.

CLASS A. HANDICAP.—One Round.

Mr. Johnstone's Season Ticket.

1 155 lbs. (Owner)

Mr. Bell Irving's Brutus, 149 lbs. (Owner)

2 Mr. Moenraker's Saverneke, 152 lbs. (Mr. Seith)

3 Mr. Gunner's Shooting, 160 lbs. (Mr. Brun)

Mr. Des Voeux's Beggar King, 158 lbs. (Mr. Soares)

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POLICE PAY.

VIEWS OF THE MEN.

At the Police Headquarters on Saturday afternoon the Lance-Sergeants and Recruits of the Police Force held a meeting to discuss certain resolutions dealing with the revised scale of pay as passed by the Secretary of State. The men decided to ask for a general increase and passed a resolution to the effect that the present scale of £160 to £180 for a Lance-Sergeant was insufficient, as in reaching the maximum, a man would have to wait some ten years before he could obtain promotion. A starting salary of £225, plus allowance for being abroad, is to be asked for. With regard to leave, they get 24 hours a month at present and they are asking for 48 hours. The meeting decided that the ration allowance for men stationed in the New Territories should be \$25 per month, irrespective of rank, instead of \$15 for a Lance-Sergeant, and \$20 for a Sergeant. Retirement at the age of 45 or after twenty years' service should be made compulsory. The meeting further decided that the men should be given nine months' leave after five years' service, irrespective of whether they signed for a further period or not. Under present regulations leave is only given in May or again.

In conversation with a couple of recruits this morning, a China Mail reporter was informed that they were dissatisfied all round. One man said that they were better off under the old scale. They then received a yearly salary of £100, plus £40 temporary increase, at 1.9, and special duty allowance, such as theatre duty, etc. All this put together, they received an average of £150 a month. Under the new scale they get £160 a year at 2 to the dollar with no special duty allowance, the same having been given to Indian and Chinese constables. This brings them an average of \$133 a month, thereby meaning a loss of \$17 monthly. They are also asking the Government for a living pension at Home on retirement, also for more comfortable quarters and better uniform. They argue that white drill should be given to them. They would certainly prefer khaki to the present coarse material of which the uniforms are composed. As a Lance-Sergeant in the Metropolitan Police gets £250 a year as salary without having to be away from his relations, the men here think they are being badly treated by being brought out to a strange country on such a small salary. They are not asking for more, but they want to be on the same footing as the Metropolitan Police.

Four members were appointed to draft a petition to be forwarded to the C.S.P. for his perusal. This petition we publish below:

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A Police Constable in the London Metropolitan Police commences with a salary of £187-10 p.a. with annual increments. The F.M.S. Police commence with £200 p.a. plus £100 for allowances per annum; since we are performing duties equivalent to those of an Inspector of the London Police, and performing those duties 11,000 miles from home, we are obviously entitled to a considerably higher salary than a London Police constable.

The higher ranks in the force have received an increase of from 100% to 120% on much higher salaries, while we receive 60% with only two annual increments. That is to say that on the completion of two years' service a Lance Sergeant will have attained the maximum salary he can hope to draw for ten or twelve years.

We propose therefore that the minimum pay of Lance Sergeants be fixed at not less than £225 per annum, thus making the minimum pay of Police Officer equivalent to that of a Sanitary Officer. This moreover is only slightly more than a 10% Colonial allowance on the minimum pay of London Police.

(b) By the G.O. dealing with Pay, "Ice and Chow allowance" to New Territories stations is withdrawn. This is manifestly unfair as it is obvious that the living expenses for one or two men in an out-station must be in excess of those at Central Station.

Moreover, the previous allowance of £20 which has been in force for many years is now, in view of the increased cost of living, inadequate; we therefore submit that this allowance be increased to £30 per month.

In view of the fact that promotion under the present system is practically at a standstill, we advocate that retirement be compulsory at the age of 45 years or on completion of 20 years' service, thus giving the junior members of the force an incentive to take an active interest in their duties.

We would also suggest that past Government service in any capacity be taken into consideration in determining the amount of a man's pension.

NAKED MAN ARRESTED.

At the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, Inspector Caygill charged a Chinese with the theft of a dinghy and three anchors at Yau Ma Tei Harbour. A Chinese detective said that early on Sunday morning, he was on duty on the water front when he noticed the defendant making for land in a dinghy. As the defendant came alongside the wharf he saw witness and pushed off. Witness hid behind a pillar and presently the defendant returned. Witness made a dash for him, but he was too quick, and re-entering the boat, he once more pushed off to sea. This time witness followed in another boat. When the defendant saw that witness was catching him up, he jumped overboard. When he emerged at the Laundry Wharf, he was naked, having presumably removed his clothing in the water, thinking thereby to escape arrest. The ruse did not work, however, for the detective wrapped him in a piece of cloth which he picked up on the wharf and removed him to the station. In the dinghy were three anchors which the defendant had stolen from boats lying in the harbour. Inspector Caygill said that if his Worship was going to convict, he would like to point out the seriousness of defendant's act. He said this was the time when monsoons might be expected, and had anything in the nature of a blow occurred during the night, the defendant's act would have been the cause of the loss of many lives. A boat without an anchor might drift and be dashed against the breakwaters and smashed up. It was a very dangerous and serious crime, and he asked for a severe penalty. His Worship passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

A BLIND.

Sergeant McAlvie this morning charged an alleged blind man before Mr. N. L. Smith with beggary. The Sergeant said he had ample proof that the defendant was not blind. After his arrest, while he was being marched up to the Police Station together with other beggars, the blind man saw some one attempting to steal oranges from the basket of a hawker, and in the hope of winning favour, gave the alarm. At the station, he was again "stone blind," until he was offered a cigarette, when he stretched out his hand and took it. He knew exactly where the cigarette was. The defendant had already been before the Court, and witness had been sent away to Canton, but he returned by the same boat, and was returned by the same boat.

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A GREAT NIGHT ECHOES OF TAI HANG.

[By D. R. C.]

On Friday evening the Rifle Section of Dockyard Recreation Club held their Concert and Presentation of Prizes at the Seamen's Institute, under the Patronage of Commodore V. G. Gurner, R.N., Commander Hodson, R.N., Engr. Capt. Ferguson, R.N., Engr. Commandant Dawson and Samson, R.N., Mr. E. G. Kennett, R.C.N.C.

Promptly to time the shot of Part I of Programme was fired, and all the items of Programme were bulls.

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TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

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FRIDAY,

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AND

WHIT MONDAY, MAY 24th

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TIFFIN AND AFTERNOON.

TOYO KISEN KAISEI.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

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The above named Steamer having arrived Sunday morning 16th inst. consignees of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeded immediate discharge will be landed at consignee's risk.

The musical programme was then resumed. The bulls were quite as numerous in this half of the programme, some so pleased with seeing them registered that more were demanded. The Mr. C's, Mr. Frickett and Messrs. Crocker, Clay, Cassey, Haggard and Mrs. F. Goodman were the scorers of bulls not forgetting Mr. Merrin, R. N., who was in top form and scored so well that he brought down the house. The accompaniments were in the capable hands of Mrs. F. Clay and Mr. G. E. Longyear and a most successful evening terminated at 11. p.m. with the National Anthem.

We respectfully contend that we should be allowed at least 48 hours leave per month and 9 months home leave, exclusive of time spent in passage, after the completion of each period of 5 years. This leave should not be conditional upon re-engagement for a subsequent 5 years as it brings our total leave from service in a tropical climate to ten days less than that of the home Police for a similar period.

We also contend that we are entitled while on leave to an allowance in lieu of quarters. Another injustice under this heading is this system under which a man automatically forfeits his right to monthly pay by becoming a defaulter, since all breaches of discipline are presumably adequately punished by the Capt. Superintendent.

We would suggest that His Excellency pay a visit to the European Police quarters and compare them with any other Government quarters;

we feel sure he will agree that they

lose by comparison with most

Government coolies' quarters.

We would also call the attention

of His Excellency to the fact that the European Police uniform is made identical with that issued to coolies in Government employ and to convicts in

Victoria Gaol; while Asiatic Govern-

ment servants wear a white drill

uniform in this connection we would

point out that the Chinese P.C.'s are

issued with a uniform identical with that worn by European Lance-

Sergeants.

Whilst submitting the foregoing

for His Excellency's consideration

we would press for immediate relief

on the question of pay, maintaining

that we are entitled to insist on the

minimum stated. Within the last

ten years the minimum pay of the

home Forces has been increased by

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THE SCOURGE OF THE WORLD.

LONDON, May 14th.

Still there is no news from Moscow. The silence is general throughout Russia. Since May 1st there has been no such stoppage since the first revolution. Messages were freely received to Sunday evening.

Meanwhile, the *Armenian Gazette*, the official Bolshevik organ, reveals that the Dnieper debacle has caused a panic in leading circles in Moscow. The organ declares that the very fate of the Soviet Republic is at present being decided. The offensive is the severest blow which Bolshevism has suffered and demands severe punishment of the responsible Commissars.

WARSAW, May 15th.

A communiqué states that in the Red sector the enemy continues desperate but unsuccess-ful attacks with the object of retaking as many lost pieces as we have occupied. East of the Dnieper, the enemy has been completely defeated, the fighting near Krasny two regiments have been annihilated, the Brigade Commander and Commissary being killed. Four hundred Bolsheviks have been drowned in the Dnieper. Our enemy armoured boats have been sunk and 2,000 prisoners taken. Polish detachments from Podolia defeated the First Ukrainian Soviet Brigade.

LONDON, May 15th.

An interesting side-issue of the Polish offensive is that the Hungarian Regent, M. Horvay, has offered a Magyar army of 35,000 men, which is three times the size stipulated in the Treaty, as an anti-Red reserve force. The acceptance by the Allies of this offer would delay disarmament.

It is understood that Rumania will not act militarily, except by agreement with the British and the French.

Although Finland favours a strong independent Ukraine, the Finnish attitude is similar.

The possibility with the ice melting, of the Red fleet attacking the Finnish coast is noted.

LONDON, May 15th.

No alarm is felt as regards the British Labour Delegation to Russia, which was Revol. on May 10th, but all newspaper's experts, excepting the *Daily Telegraph*, are convinced that something has happened in Russia, and it is pointed out that there are at least three high-power wireless stations in Moscow.

NEW YORK, May 15th.

The Associated Press correspondent at Warsaw understands that the Polish-Ukrainian Convention, which was signed before the opening of the drive to Kiev, provides a Polish outlet to the Black Sea and a Polish Vice-Minister in the Ukraine. Poland will virtually control the railroads through the vast wheat areas, and militarily support the Ukraine for ten years.

LATER.

It is reported that Finland has decided to join the Poles and Esthonians in the offensive against the Bolsheviks.

BALTIMORE, May 15th.

A message from Warsaw says the Rumanian statesman, M. Take Jenevicius has arrived in order to negotiate a Polish-Romanian Alliance. The Poles declare that Rumania will form an army of 160,000 to support the Polish offensive against Russia.

LONDON, May 15th.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has unanimously forwarded a resolution requesting President Wilson to send warships and marines to Batum, to protect American lives and property there and along the railways to Baku.

GERMANY AND THE TREATY.

PARIS, May 15th.

A number of reports indicate the postponement of the Spa Conference dates varying from June 15th to June 30th.

LONDON, May 15th.

The meeting between Mr. Lloyd George and M. Millerand at Folkestone on May 15th will be mainly preparatory to the Spa meeting. The French are in favour of fixing the indemnity with the claims on it.

THE MEXICO REVOLUTION.

LONDON, May 15th.

The *Times*' New York correspondent says that revolutionaries in Mexico are forming a Provisional Government with De La Huerta as Provisional President who is described as an educated man of studious habits who has several times served as temporary Governor of States needed reorganizing.

WASHINGTON, May 15

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THE MAN WHO SAW THINGS COMING.
A GREAT THINKER.

A French savant recently assured me that H. G. Wells—better known in literary circles and to his friends as "H. G." was the most remarkable man in the world to-day, the man with the greatest vision and the widest thought, writes Newman Flower in the *Daily Mail*. In this he was right. Literature has produced greater men than Wells, but no more remarkable being. No writer so versatile. For he springs surprises upon one at every turn. A sort of literary firework that goes off in odd places and always with supreme effect. A man surprising evolution. Once a teacher in a rather stuffy and jested world. A man with a scientific mind that groped for its own peculiar quiet, who wrote stray articles and bits of journalism. A man very lonely in byways of scientific imagination, who put out a scientific novel, and then another, and rather pleased and piqued a public by a new idea in fiction.

No one could then have foretold all there was in "H. G." I am not certain that he has been fully developed even yet. But presently came the great switch over to the novel proper with "Tono-Bungay." A new "metier" which was severely criticised and challenged but—"new." A line of thought that balked at nothing. Then followed the Britling phase, and the breaking in of education and religion which revealed a fresh richness in the Wells mind and brought a new purpose to the later novels.

So phase followed phase till we got the "Outline of History," a stupendous work of 400,000 words, which, with its strong educational trend, was the logical outcome of Britling and "The Undying Fire."

The compass of thought which this evolution embraces is not natural. Many things that Wells says are impossible. Presently they become remotely possible, and ultimately achieved. The reason being that Wells is a genius a little before his time. The world catches up with him in jerks. He is challenged for forecasting impossibilities when he is really a barometer of human affairs. An uncanny mentality, certainly. But let there be no mistake about it—the mentality of a genius. In a hundred years time they will talk about Wells as the man who saw things coming.

I asked him once why he had so successfully established himself in several branches of fiction. He answered me that he hated the idea of the novelist's rut, that to keep the mind clear and unstale it must be constantly tried out in new grounds. It must be exercised in a new way.

When I first became associated with Wells in getting his books out to the world, I tried in devious fashion, and a little slyly, to impress upon him the book I hoped he would write. I confess that I wanted him to do the "Tono-Bungay" trick over again. But "H. G." smiled in his non-committal sort of way and said nothing, and then talked about soccer. Ultimately he sent me a postcard which said: "Come down and play soccer this weekend."

WELLS AT WORK.

The surprise began that Saturday night. He took me up to his bed-room-study, a little room, rather severe with its camp-bed, its desk, its plain and workmanlike appearance. In those days Wells did what he often does now—got up in the night, put on the lama dressing-gown which I saw slung over the back of a chair, made himself a cup of tea, and worked.

He produced a rather hefty heap of typescript on this occasion, which he explained was a novel he had written about a man and the war. He asked me to take it to my own room and read it.

I read it till 8 a.m. and finished it on Sunday afternoon. It was Britling."

"Britling" was so unusual that I confess I could not gauge its weight as a "seller." On the day it came out he gave me a copy inscribed: "In hope and faith." We both had hope. We both had faith. But my faith did not stretch to the half mil-

lion copies which "Britling" sold and I do not think that "H. G." would have backed the book so far. Anyhow, he came into my office soon after the book was published and asked with that anxiety of the proud parent: "How is it doing?" "Fine!" I responded. "Good," he said. "A contented publisher is a continual feast!"

"Britling" was published when the war was but half over. And people began writing in and saying: "What did Britling see through, seeing that we still have a war?" I put the question to "H. G." He was very frank about it. He told me that when he wrote the book he thought the war would be over before it was published, but he had become so accustomed to the war and the book's title that he allowed the anachronism to creep through.

From that moment more serious thought crept into the Wells books. One could follow the change in the man. His mind, receptive, seeking, seemed to have abandoned the old realm of scientific discovery to have been suddenly pulled to earth with a tremendous jerk. A mind that wanted to help.

It was then that Wells wrote what I believe to be his greatest novel, "The Undying Fire." In it he summed up all Man since Man was, he placed Man in the proper scheme of things—"this little stir amidst the mass, a fusa in the mud." He outlined with that careful precision which is his the little world of Man and its relation to the Divine.

A MIND THAT IS NEVER STILL.

In "The Undying Fire" "H. G." reached his summit and was not content with it. For he can never rest; the mind of him can never still. Just as when he cannot sleep in the night he must get up and work, so must his mind in its waking moments explore anew. A giant flings itself fresh and strong, all joy, all youth, to new conquest.

"So "H. G." disappeared. The thinking, the serious, educational and historical discovery of a lifetime bound him to his room. He began making records of things, dates, facts, a thousand, thousand years of the world's history on cards. He slipped through aeons of time, locking up facts he had gathered. And so built his "Outline of History," the most wonderful romance of human education that can be given to a world that has thought for only twenty centuries.

HUMAN WIRELESS STATION.

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This wonderful work, which would have beaten fear into the cold heart of Carlyle, has been written word by word with his own hand; that little tiny writing, on pages much scored in the margins with all sorts of arrows that lead to somewhere in the page that might be anywhere. And all his books have been written like that, minutely, and carefully with his pen—except one. For "The Undying Fire" he made copious notes as if he were preparing a speech, and then wrote large portions of the book on a type writer. And he will write his next novel like that—a complete break-away in theme from the novels that have gone before, by the way—because he finds it leads to better, more concentrated work.

In the "Outline of History" he has shown what education would have done, and it is not a presumption, on his part, since he was once a teacher. That it is not considered so is demonstrated by the fact that he had the utmost help from historians, from university people, who, in the ordinary way, would have exhibited hostility towards an unconventional historian.

He has put historical education on a broader basis, a sounder basis, discarding old fancies, fresh in discovery and intellect.

THINKING FOR HALF EUROPE.

Wells today is thinking for half Europe. His foreign mailbag is the certain testimony of that. All branches of thought require him. Thinkers far out in the extreme, dark seek him to nurture their frail, tendrils of thought. Those who are wavering and wobbling over new and ill-acquainted problems come to him for stability. As if he had the power of dropping a little sun into a dull day.

I remember that we hung over a verandah rail in the gathering dark and talked about the dusk that is over the world.

"If they would only understand the common laws of humanity," he said. "Humanity, it's all in that!"

SCHOOLS AND THE WAR.

HOW CHILDREN PLAYED THEIR PART IN CRITICAL YEARS.

In a report on education in London during the war years, Sir Robert Blair, Education Officer to the London County Council, says that out of 6,000 men teachers in London some 3,000 joined the forces. More than 10 per cent gave their lives and over 200 gained military distinctions. All had the satisfaction of knowing that the London Territorials were the first sent to the front and that the London troops had won a reputation second to none for courage and endurance. It is well that those who had helped to create this high tradition should now be helping to mould London's future citizens.

As to the effect of the war on school work, Sir Robert says the withdrawal of so many teachers cannot but have produced a detrimental effect. But a district inspector who recently tested 10,000 London children in arithmetic obtained results in no way inferior to those just before the war. Similar testimony is given by the Chief Examiner for Junior County Scholarships.

No record has been kept of the numbers of clothes, comforts, crutches, and splints made on the schools and woodwork centres. So much was undertaken locally that the Council discouraged any general organisation of children's efforts to help except in the case of clothing for the destitute children of Belgium and Serbia. A sum of £4,000 was collected from the children for this object, and 10,000 kits were made and despatched. Many messages of appreciation have been received both from Belgium and Serbia.

During the War Savings campaign the elementary and secondary schools collected about £500,000. In one elementary school over £10,000 was collected. The war was not a physical strain on the children. The number of necessitous children fell from 75,000 to 8,000. Medical inspections showed that the number of poorly nourished children in 1918 was half the number in 1913.

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It is now possible to pick up a wireless message from any of the big stations within reasonable distance in Britain with the aid of an ordinary umbrella, a patent pocket-book, and the telephone. The umbrella will act as the aerial, the pocket-book contains a miniature receiving set, and, of course the telephone must be a high resistance instrument. It has even been possible, a *Daily News* representative was informed by the inventors of the pocket receiving set, to use an ordinary bedstead as an aerial.

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If two trees are used as the aerial long distance messages from the Eiffel Tower, Nauen, near Berlin, and other great Continental stations can be picked up. The cost of the pocket-book is about £1.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ITALIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

LONDON, May 14th. The Times' Rome correspondent says party leaders so far are not willing to assume ministerial power. It is generally anticipated that Signor Nitti is returning to the Premiership supported by the Catholics.

ROME, May 15th. Signor Nitti has resigned in consequence of a Government defeat by 139 votes to 112, in the debate on internal policy, in which the Catholics supported the Socialists who regarded the policy as being too weak.

The defeat of the Government was due to the Popular Party, which up to now has been pro-Government, supporting the Socialist motion condemning the Government's policy in regard to the strike of postal, telegraph, and telephone employees.

AMERICA AND THE PEACE TREATY.

WASHINGTON, May 13th. In the Senate the resolution declaring the state of war with Germany and Austria ended, was vigorously opposed by Democrats.

Senator Hitchcock declared that the adoption of Senator Knox's suggestion of a separate treaty with Germany would bring dishonour and ruin to the United States.

SILK GOODS PRICES.

PROVIDENCE (RHODE ISLAND), May 13th. Owing to the fall of prices of silk goods, the Fortune Silk Mills and the Pennsylvania Textile Company's silk mill are reducing production by 50 per cent.

AIR CARGO RACE.

LONDON, May 14th. The Air Cargo Race to India has been postponed by the Air Ministry which has advised that owing to unrest in Asia Minor and Syria machines cannot be allowed to proceed beyond the line Athens-Suez-Cairo.

PLUMAGE BILL.

LONDON, May 13th. In the House of Commons, the Bill prohibiting the importation of plumage of birds, except ostriches and emus and birds imported alive and birds used as food, passed the second reading by 61 votes to 8.

INDIAN MILL STRIKE.

AHMEDABAD, May 13th. All cotton mills in closed, except twelve whose owners have accepted the strikers' conditions.

THE SILVER MARKET.

WASHINGTON, May 13th. The Government will soon resume buying silver in the open market but only small lots in order not to force prices upwards.

WASHINGTON, May 14th. The Federal Reserve Board statistics show that since January 1st the imports of gold from England totalled \$57,723,000 and exports \$18,000,000, while silver imports were \$41,800,000.

FRENCH STRIKE.

PARIS, May 14th. A Havas message says:—

The situation in the various railway systems is satisfactory. Further reduction of work has taken place and on some lines more trains are running.

The Paris Undergrounds are now normal. There are increasing signs that the strikers are losing enthusiasm.

LONDON, May 14th. The labour situation in France continues to improve, although gas workers, joiners and upholsterers are due to strike to-day.

PARIS, May 13th.

No noteworthy developments took place yesterday in the French labour situation. Examining magistrates are investigating the documents seized on Tuesday at the General Labour Confederation. Labour leaders themselves have spent a quiet day; they are rapidly losing adherents. The majority of the strike movements are growing hourly weaker. It is thought that by the end of the week nearly all the strikers will be back at work.

In Paris yesterday, there was hardly a trace of a transport strike, except for the fact that there were few taxicabs on the streets.

The latest threat of the extremists is the strike of the Paris gas workers, who have received the order to quit work tomorrow morning. The Gas Company, however, is unprepared, and declares that all necessary steps have been taken to ensure satisfactory supply.

NEW YORK, May 13th.

The Socialist National Convention has passed a resolution condemning the French Government's decision to dissolve the General Confederation of Labour.

LOUNGS, May 12th.

The Times' correspondent in Paris says that when the decision of the Government to prosecute the Confederation was known, a meeting of strikers progressing in the Boulevards refused to disperse. The Police fired twice, whereupon there was a general melee. The overhead tram wires were cut and the trams bombarded with missiles. Subsequently, order was restored.

THE LATE CROWN PRINCESS OF SWEDEN.

LONDON, May 14th. Enormous crowds witnessed the funeral of the Crown Princess of Sweden. The ceremonies were most impressive and most affecting. The mourners included the Swedish Royal Family, the Kings of Norway and Denmark, Prince Arthur of Connaught and the Earl of Onslow, representing King George.

A detachment of British Marines assisted in lining the route.

The funeral ceremony was conducted by the Archbishop of Upsala and the English Chaplain, the Rev. Mr. Williams.

Rituals of both the Churches were used. Memorial services were held at various centres in England, including Westminster Abbey and the Chapel Royal.

THE AMERICA'S CUP: NEW CONDITIONS.

SHAMROCK IV. AND HER CHANCES.

(By FRANCIS B. COOKE.)

Sir Thomas Lipton's fourth attempt to recover the America's Cup marks a new era in racing for the trophy. For many years past contests for this Cup have been carried on under an obsolete measurement rule, with the result that the yachts engaged were of no use for any other purpose.

The formula itself, moreover, restricting nothing but the length and sail area, led to the evolution of a most undesirable type of vessel, which it was not in the interests of sport to foster.

By challenging under the Universal Rule Sir Thomas Lipton has placed the contest upon a much more satisfactory basis, as yachts specially built for it will be eligible to compete in ordinary regatta matches.

Sir Thomas' decision was that a challenger built to fit the Universal Rule would be more suitable for the Atlantic voyage. With her shorter overhangs she could with safety be built a good deal lighter than a craft of the old type, thus considerably reducing the advantage the holders of the Cup derive from their geographical position.

A NEW PROBLEM AND THE OPEN MIND.

The question of our designers lacking experience of the rule may not prove such a disadvantage as it would appear, for it is possible that an enterprising draughtsman approaching the problem with an open mind may hit upon ideas that have not occurred to those who have been working to the formula for a long period with existing yachts as a basis.

In Shamrock IV. Mr. Nicholson has produced a yacht quite unlike any hitherto constructed under the rule, and when seen out water for the first time she created something of a sensation among the American experts. Whether she will be

